



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**Analysis of Validity Rates for Initiative and Referendum Petitions  
1978 – 2012**

	<b>Total Filed</b>	<b>Number Checked</b>	<b>Number Valid</b>	<b>Proportion Valid</b>	<b>Observed Confidence Level</b>
<b>1978 Legislative Initiative (212,562 Required)</b>					
Parole Standards	238,394	448	411	91.7	98.4
<b>1978 Constitutional Amendments (265,702 Required)</b>					
School Vouchers	300,598	498	454	91.2	97.7
Tax Reform (Tisch I)	319,000	499	437	87.6	99.6
Trooper Collective Bargaining	299,901	498	444	89.2	66.3
Tax Reform (Headlee I)	463,744	494	419	84.8	100.0
Drinking Age	324,326	450	405	90.0	100.0
<b>1980 Constitutional Amendments (286,722 Required)</b>					
Tax Reform (Tisch II)	424,411	500	446	89.2	100.0
Tax Reform (Smith-Bullard)	374,908	495	395	79.8	99.5
<b>1982 Legislative Initiatives (229,377 Required)</b>					
Foreclosure	324,477	498	361	72.5	82.4
Utility Rates	323,633	497	421	84.7	100.0
Nuclear Freeze	377,409	498	427	85.7	100.0
<b>1982 Constitutional Amendments (286,722 Required)</b>					
Elected Public Service Commission	437,000	498	366	73.5	100.0
Capital Punishment	309,623	499	441	88.4	00.1
Create Department of State Police	425,000	500	370	74.0	100.0
<b>1984 Constitutional Amendments (304,001 Required)</b>					
Tax Reform (DeMar)	351,887	1,781	1,611	90.5	
<b>1986 Constitutional Amendments (304,001 Required)</b>					
Capital Punishment (Petition signatures struck by courts; sample cancelled)	350,220				
Utility Regulation (Petition signatures struck by courts; sample cancelled)	378,363				
<b>1987 Legislative Initiative (191,726 Required)</b>					
Medicaid Abortion Ban (Adopted by Legislature)	461,351	498	431	86.5	100.0

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<b>1988 Referendum (119,829 Required)</b> Medicaid Abortion Ban (PA 59 of 1987)	229,794	489	416	85.0	100.0
<b>1990 Legislative Initiatives (191,726 Required)</b> Parental Consent for Abortion (Adopted by Legislature) Tax Reform (Headlee II)	334,169 224,048	522 1,599	468 1,347	89.7 84.2	100.0 00.0
<b>1992 Constitutional Amendments (256,457 Required)</b> Term Limits Tax Reform (Cut/Cap)	398,743 410,110	511 512	389 426	76.1 83.2	100.0 100.0
<b>1992 Legislative Initiative (205,166 Required)</b> Auto Insurance Rates Tax Break	630,946 279,868	493 4,760	407 3,848	82.6 80.8	100.0 100.0
<b>1994 Referendum (128,229 Required)</b> Insurance Reform (PA 143 of 1993)	252,394	500	397	79.4	100.0
<b>1996 Legislative Initiatives (247,127 Required)</b> Bear Hunting Casinos	342,086 430,280	3,757 500	2,841 379	75.6 75.8	92.9 100.0
<b>1996 Referendum (154,454 Required)</b> Bingo Act (PA 118 of 1994)	240,866	500	354	70.8	100.0
<b>1998 Legislative Initiatives (247,127 Required)</b> Physician Assisted Suicide Anti-Casino	378,873 276,433	3,698 1,649	2,649 1,455	71.6 88.2	100.0 00.0
<b>2000 Constitutional Amendments (302,711 Required)</b> School Vouchers Local Control	459,633 466,278	519 530	447 453	86.1 85.5	100.0 100.0
<b>2002 Constitutional Amendments (302,711 Required)</b> Tobacco Settlement Revenue New Drug Policies (Petition form struck by courts) Michigan Employee Rights	475,896 453,174 386,139	550 546 548	466 435 456	84.7 79.7 83.2	100.0 100.0 99.0
<b>2002 Referendum (151,356 Required)</b> Straight Ticket Voting (PA 269 of 2001)	255,553	550	424	77.1	100.0
<b>2004 Constitutional Amendments (317,757 Required)</b> Voter Approval of Gambling Marriage Definition	506,451 500,000	580 580	509 539	87.8 92.9	100.0 100.0
<b>2004 Legislative Initiative (254,206 Required)</b> Oppose Partial-birth-abortions (Adopted by Legislature)	459,966	550	535	97.3	100.0
<b>2006 Constitutional Amendments (317,757 Required)</b> Affirmative Action Ban Stop Overspending	508,159 503,360	500 3,872	450 2,360	90.0 61.0	100.0 00.0

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<b>2006 Legislative Initiatives (254,206 Required)</b>					
Mandatory School Funding	292,995	1,979	1,895	95.8	100.0
Eliminate SBT (Adopted by Legislature)	372,755	500	393	78.6	100.0
<b>2006 Referendum (158,879 Required)</b>					
Dove Hunting (PA 160 of 2004)	274,598	500	445	89.0	100.0
<b>2008 Legislative Initiative (304,101 Required)</b>					
Medical Marijuana	474,752	500	401	80.2	100.0
<b>2008 Constitutional Amendments (380,126 Required)</b>					
Stem Cell Research	570,793	500	437	87.4	100.0
Government Reform (Proposal struck by courts)	492,839	2,998	2,536	84.6	100.0
<b>2012 Constitutional Amendments (322,609 Required)</b>					
Protect Our Jobs	554,375	544	489	89.9	100.0
Michigan Energy, Michigan Jobs	528,448	620	494	79.7	100.0
Michigan Alliance For Prosperity	629,860	532	441	82.9	100.0
Citizens For Affordable Quality Home Care	563,854	717	572	79.8	100.0
The People Should Decide	596,533	519	416	80.1	100.0
<b>2012 Referendum (161,305 Required)</b>					
Stand Up For Democracy	226,339	3,451	3,105	90.0	100.0